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ja 2—1m

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de 29 KEEN, CHILES & BALDWIN.

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PERIODICALS FOR FEBRUARY, 1852.—Godey's Ladys' Book, Ladies' National Magazine; also, Lrndon Punch, Plough, Loom and Anvil, No. 7; supplies of Harper's Magazine and Lady's Book for January; also, Spirit of the Times, Arthur's Home Gazette, Gleason's Pictorial, last numbers; also, the Star Spangled Banner for 24th January, just received by
R. D. SANXAY,
ja 20 Bookseller and Stationer.

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ja 1 L. D. CRENSHAW & CO.

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de 18 Opposite Theatre.

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de 17—ts

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Friday Morning, January 30, 1852.

Kossuth, Captain Long and Consul Hodge.

The New York Express, commenting upon the late publication in the New York Times, (which was transferred to this paper,) says:

The Consul, it is to be borne in mind, (a fact which does not appear in this correspondence,) had interceded in the first place to obtain permission from the authorities at Marseilles for Kossuth to land, and he had pledged his word that no disturbance should grow out of this. He naturally felt sensitive of the effect of the scene portrayed at Marseilles, and the consequences which it might produce there. Be that as it may, the Prefect, as the officer of the Government was alarmed, and felt that the appearance of Kossuth at Marseilles had given the occasion for an excitement, which might end in something more serious than popular ovations.

There is another fact more fully developed by this correspondence,—and that is that it was Kossuth's purpose to *leave the ship Mississippi* upon his arrival at Marseilles. This purpose was communicated in his letter asking permission of the French Government to pass through the territory of France. Those, therefore, who say he was driven from the ship by the treatment of Capt. Long or others falsify the record. Kossuth's own letters also answer the slander as to the unfavorable relations existing between Kossuth and Captain Long, at the time the former left the Mississippi.

But the Times now raises a new issue. It declares that Capt. Long, Commodore Morgan and the Consul at Marseilles, were all opposed to having the Mississippi sent for Kossuth—and it does this with a liberal sprinkling of abuse upon each of these "three official personages." We see no evidence of all this, however, and none is given in 'the important disclosures' which commenced with the Attaches' letter, and of which we now have the second edition in an *ex parte statement* of facts.—*Editors Express.*

It should be recollected that the famous letter "from an Attache," at Marseilles, in which the conduct of Kossuth was first arraigned, and which has been since attributed to Mr. Hodge, was first published in the Times.

Virginia Legislature.

THURSDAY, Jan. 29th.

Senate.

Mr. Thompson presented a memorial of the Agricultural Society of Brunswick county, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee of Agriculture and Commerce.

Mr. Daniel called for the reading of the memorial, which refers to the neglect by the State hitherto of the agricultural interests. It contends that more light is needed on the subject, and that it is essential for the success of the internal improvement schemes, projected and contemplated, that some attention should be paid to agriculture. The memorial recommends that the State commence at the beginning, and afford encouragement to the agricultural interests.

On motion of Mr. Brent, the report of the select committee, dividing and referring the different portions of the new Constitution, was taken up, considered, amended in several particulars, and adopted.

The Senate adjourned, to meet at 1 o'clock each day, until otherwise ordered.

House of Delegates.

Without prayer, the House proceeded to business.

The Speaker announced the following Committees:

For arranging the Congressional Districts—Messrs. Barbour, Robertson of N. City, Wallace, Garrett, Irving, Goode of Bedford, Jones of C., Yerby, Tomlin, Keyser, Imboden, Vawter, Dunn, Patrick and Kidwell.

To Re-organize the Board of Public Works—Messrs. Jackson of P. & R., Rives of P. Geo., Miller of Bot., Price of G., Nicolson, Price of H., Bell, Witten, Bare, Anderson, Davis of B., Russell, Baker, Newman and Staples.

Bills were reported: Giving the consent of the State to the purchase, by the U. States, of a place for a Custom House in the city of Norfolk.

A bill to provide for the appointment of a Private Secretary to the Governor of the Commonwealth—his salary not to exceed one thousand dollars.

A bill to incorporate the South-Quay Bridge Company over Blackwater river.

A bill for further extending the time for completing the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad.

Various reports were made from Committees, adverse to the subjects referred to them; amongst them, against requiring Trustees selling property under deeds of trust, to execute bond, with security, in the same manner as Commissioners in Chancery; and also against extending the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace.

Various bills were put upon their second reading: amongst them,

A bill concerning the Manassas Gap Railroad Company.

A bill to authorize the Board of Public Works to construct a railroad from Covington to the Ohio river, on State account.

A bill to authorize the Orange and Alexandria Railroad Company to extend their road to Lynchburg—and

A bill to increase the capital stock of the South-side R. R. Company. A long debate occurred on a proposition to fix a day for the consideration of this and other internal improvement bills. Some of the members favored early action on the bills; others were in favor of giving county organization and other subjects precedence, and named a day as late as the 1st of April to consider internal improvement questions. Finally, the subject was laid on the table, together with the bills,—to be taken up at the convenience of the House.

Mr. Imboden presented a long preamble and resolutions, on the subject of the reception by Virginia of whatever may be due her from the sale of public lands by the Federal Government, and asking that the question of reception may, in a certain contingency, be submitted to a vote of the people of Virginia. Upon his own motion the resolutions were, for the present, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

The following resolutions of inquiry were offered and adopted by the House:

On motion of Mr. Jones, of Chesterfield, That the committee on County organization inquire into the expediency of establishing a precinct election in each of the districts into which the respective counties of this Commonwealth shall be laid off, and of discontinuing all of the existing precincts not necessary to effect the above object.

By Mr. Pretlow—Of constructing a railroad from the South-side Railroad at Petersburg, to connect with the Seaboard Railroad at some point between the Nottoway and Black-water rivers.

By Mr. Lewis—Of repealing so much of the act passed March 5th, 1846, "prescribing certain courts in which suits against public corporations, composed of officers of the Government, may be maintained," as required that actions and suits then depending in other courts of this Commonwealth against any of said corporations, should be transferred, together with all the papers and proceeding, to the Courts of the county of Henrico and the city of Richmond.

By Mr. Stevens—Of providing for the establishment of a general system of Free Banking, based upon State stocks and individual liability; and for the more effectual suppression of the circulation of foreign notes of a less denomination than five dollars.

THE CONVICT'S BRIDE.

FROM THE FRENCH.

It was a dark dreary morning in the December of 178–. The ground was covered with snow, and the bleak wind was blowing in terrific gusts through the trees. Yet, despite the inclemency of the weather, crowds of persons of all classes, and amongst them, many of the weaker sex, might be seen hurrying towards the Place de Grove, Paris. It was the morning appointed for the execution of Victor d'Aubigny.

The circumstances which had called for this expiation of life at the altar of justice were simply as follows—and blended with the strong love of excitement, so universal amongst the French, account, in some degree, for the eager curiosity discernible in the multitude, now hastening to the awful spectacle of a fellow creature, in the full flush of youth and health, being plunged into the gulf of unknown eternity. The crime for which Victor d'Aubigny was condemned to suffer was forgery. Remonstrance, petitions, interest, all had been tried to avert the awful penalty. The offence was one of frequent occurrence, and must be checked, even at the costly sacrifice of a human life. Fortunately in our days the law is satisfied with less than the blood of its victim.

In every country apologists are to be found for guilt, and sympathy is more readily excited when the perpetrator is endowed with great personal or mental advantages, or fills a position above the ordinary level in society. All these Victor d'Aubigny possessed; he had also the highest distinction of having, up to the period of his crime, borne a blameless character. From their earliest youth, a close intimacy had subsisted between himself and Auguste de Biron. Similarity of age and pursuit—both being intended for the army—united them more than congeniality of disposition; for the warm generosity of Victor bore little resemblance to the cold, suspicious nature of Auguste. They were alike only in their pursuit of pleasure, though even in the prosecution of this, the taste of each took a different bias. The strong and feverish excitement of the gambling table too well suited the temperament of Victor. He who, in the midst of the most profligate capital of the world, had strength to resist all other allurements, fell a ready prey to that vice, whose fatal indulgence has often paved the way for the commission of almost every crime.

Auguste, on the other hand, shunning the dazzling saloons of play, was a nightly visitant of the metropolitan theatres—not to enjoy the wit of Moliere, or the genius of Racine, but to watch the airy movements of some figurante in the ballet. As they advanced to manhood, the success of d'Aubigny in society called perpetually into play the evil passions of his companion, whose feelings gradually changed from friendship to dislike, deepened into hatred implacable and bitter, on the refusal of his hand by a lady, who returned, as the reason, a mad though unreturned passion, for his friend. Auguste controlled his resentment outwardly, and left Paris.

Victor at this period was betrothed to a lovely but portionless girl, and the day for the nuptials was fixed. A few evenings previous, he entered one of the gambling establishments with which Paris abounds. Enough; he was tempted to play, and in a short time found himself a loser to double the amount of all the ready money he could command. He rushed from the house in a state of frenzy. To whom could he apply? Auguste, who might have assisted him, was in England, whither he had gone to be present at the debut of a danseuse. He suddenly recollected that his friend had a large sum at his banker's. Forgetful, in the desperation of the moment, of every thing but escape from present embarrassment, he forged a cheque for the sum required. It was duly honored—but his fate was sealed. He instantly wrote to apprise De Biron of what he had done; pleading, in mitigation, that they had often shared the same purse, and binding himself to return the money at the earliest possible period. No reply was given to his letter. The time flew onward—the day for his marriage arrived. The bridal solemnity was over. When the party were leaving the church, d'Aubigny was arrested on a charge of forgery!

The trial and condemnation rapidly succeeded and the day of execution dawned too soon. Victor met his death calmly and resignedly. But it is not with him our tale has to do—it is with her, the beautiful, the bereaved—with Isabelle d'Aubigny, the convict's bride. From the period when the promulgation of his sentence rang in her ears, to that moment in which the fatal axe fell on the throat of its victim, nor sigh, nor word had escaped her. Every faculty seemed suspended by misery. The last, long embrace of her husband—the wild choking sob which burst from him, as she left his cell the night prior to his execution—the thousand frantic passionate kisses which he showered on her marble face, at the foot of the scaffold, all failed to dissolve the trance of grief into which she had fallen. But the moment of awakening agony came at last! When the guillotine had done its office, and the body of her beloved Victor lay bleeding and dead before her—sorrow, asserting its omnipotent sway over humanity, shivered the feeble barriers of temporary unconsciousness, and let the imprisoned mind free to contemplate the ruin of its only earthly hope, the extinction of all youth's sweetest visions. Then came the groan of anguish, the shriek of despair—the straining of the eyeballs, to assure itself of that which overstretched every fibre of the heart with agony, until it almost burst with tension. Then came that piercing look into future years, which so often accompanies calamity in its freshness; when all that would have sustained us beneath the heavy load has been wrenched from us for ever and ever.

Vainly the friends who surrounded Isabelle strove to tear her from the body of Victor. There was fascination in the gaze, though horror was blended in it. Her own, her beautiful, lay a mutilated corpse before her—he whom she had loved with an absorbing intensity, which would have defied time to lessen, circumstances to change—with whom she had hoped to journey through existence, partner of his pleasures, soother of his griefs. And now she was alone and desolate! Then indeed, did she feel that fate had levelled its deadliest weapon; and henceforth every hour was stamped with stern unchanging, dreary despair. Great misfortunes either strengthen or enfeeble the mind. When the grave had closed over the body of Victor, Isabelle—the weak, the gentle, the timid Isabelle—returned to her lonely hearth, a calm, stern, determined woman.

All the *elite* of Milan gathered together in the magnificent Theatre of La Scala. Beauty lent its attraction, rank its patronage, and fashion its influence, to grace the farewell benefit of "La Florinda," the unrivalled danseuse, the boast of Italy, the idol of the Milanese.

It is not an easy task to rouse an English audience into a furor of ecstacy; an Italian one is composed of material of a more inflammable nature; and demonstrations which would seem to us extravagant and absurd, only appear to them a meet homage to genius. To-night their wonted enthusiasm received double impetus, from the consciousness that it was the last public testimony they could afford, of their appreciation of the consummate skill and loveliness of the fair creature before them.—The ensuing week would see her united to a wealthy noble, and this night witnessed her parting obesiance to an audience, of whom all the men were her worshippers, and even the women her partisans and admirers. The curtain rose, and certainly the appearance of the heroine of the evening was warranty enough for the burst of applause which followed. Her form, itself of the most faultless symmetry, acquired additional captivation from the display and costliness permitted by theatrical costume. Her face, too, was one of surpassing beauty. Large deep blue eyes, waves of the glossiest hair, and a skin of that clear transparent whiteness, which shows with such dazzling effect at night—all these attractions were in themselves enough to fascinate the sight. But there was that about "La Florinda" which interested the feelings fully as much. The dreamy melancholy of her profound and passionate eyes, the entire repose of all her features, the extraordinary expression about the small cherub mouth, which seemed formed for love and dimples, yet which none had ever seen relax into a smile—this it was which lent such witchery to her beauty, and threw around her a kind of mysterious charm, even amidst the glare and frivolity with which she was surrounded.

Though assailed by temptation in every shape, so rigid and unblemished had been her conduct, that the noble family, to which she was about to be allied, vainly sought in it a pretext to dissolve the engagement between herself and their relative. Yet she lived in utter unprotectedness, with only the companionship of a young girl, who officiated as her attendant. With society she never mixed, nor left her home, except to attend her professional duties.

On this her last evening of public existence, all was done that could render her exit triumphant. The stage was literally filled with bouquets flung at her feet, accompanied by many a valuable and less perishing testimony to her worth and talent. When she made her farewell acknowledgments, each felt a pang of regret at parting with one so lovely and gifted, and many a bright eye was filled with tears—yet she, the cause, alone remained unmoved.—There was gratitude in the graceful bowing of the head, and the meek folding of her hands on her bosom—but the face was calm and impassive as ever. The curtain fell amidst an outbreak of such feelings as shook the very walls of La Scala to their foundation, and Florinda was seen there no more. * * * *

"Now pray, Signora, on this your wedding day, do look as if you were happy. Heigho! if I were so beautiful, beloved too by the Marchese, I should be smiling all day long."

"My good Rosalia, I have long forgotten to smile or weep. In truth, poor child! you have had but a wearisome life, in attending on one in whose bosom the pulse of joy hath for ever stopped."

"O say not so, Signora: all the girls in Milan would be glad to wait on so kind, so gracious, so genteel a mistress—ay, and so pretty a one, too. For when I am braiding these long tresses, or fastening the sandals on your tiny feet, I feel quite proud in being permitted to serve La Florinda, who all Milan says, has borrowed the face and form of the famous Venus at Florence."

"Fie on thee, child! I would chide thee for this flattery, but that an unkind word ever sends foolish tears into thine eyes. But hasten, Rosalia; the time wears on. Give me my veil, and leave me."

The attendant did as he was bidden, and Florinda was alone. For a while she sat in deep meditation, her small white hands clasped upon her brow, as if to still the tumult of feelings rushing through her brain. The day at length had come for which she had patiently waited for years; for which she had devoted herself to a profession she abhorred, and toiled in it laboriously and ceaselessly—and nourished a life she would otherwise have allowed the mildew of grief to corrode and destroy.—The hour was at hand, when the one purpose of her existence was to be realized—the long recorded vow fulfilled. The near accomplishment of her wishes gave to the cheek of Florinda a flush of crimson, deep as the sunset of summer, and lit up her lustrous eyes with almost unearthly brightness. As she contemplated herself in the mirror, arrayed in all the costly magnificence of bridal attire, vanity for a moment preponderated; but it was a transient weakness. An instant more—the brow resumed its look of calm, stern determination—the beautiful mouth its compressed rigidity.—Having adjusted the orange wreath on her temples, and arranged the drapery of the long delicate veil, whose snowy folds enveloped her form from head to foot, she entered the conservatory adjoining her chamber, and taking from it a bouquet of choicest flowers, awaited the arrival of her bride's-maids and friends. In a few minutes the expected guests assembled, and leaning on the arm of the brother of her betrothed, she entered one of the carriages and the party proceeded to the church of St. Ambrose. The nuptial rites were performed—and Florinda was greeted as la Marchesa